



A SORROWFUL LAMENTATION ON
THE HOLLYWOOD TRAGEDY
WHERE TWO SISTERS HAVE BEEN BRUTALLY
MURDER'D

All you who have kind feeling hearts with me will sympathise
It's when you hear this tale of blood it will you much surprise,
Two lovely sisters they were murdered all by some villain's hands,
Such a horrid deed was never known in this our father-land

One Richard Murphy held a farm in Hollywood we hear,
Which was held by his father William for many a long year
And to his only son Richard he willed the house & ground,
To his two daughters Ellen & Anne were portioned 30£,

It was on a Monday evening Richard Murphy did come home
Then he beheld a dreadful sight—caus'd him to sigh & moan,
His sister Ellen near the door lay bleeding in her gore,
Two awful wounds in her fair neck her skull was batter'd sore,

When the other sister did arrive & found them all around
It was in a field near to the house was Anne's cold body found,
A lifeless corpse covered with blood most dismal to be seen,
It would freeze the hardest heart to see—a milking she had been,

Their brother was arrested & sent to Kilmainham-hail, &
Compelled to stand his trial for him they'd take no bail,
On circumstances he was tried so all may plainly see,
Why the learned Judge & Jury too have set the brother free,

It was no stranger done this deed well every one may know,
That some blood-thirsty villain to prove their overthrow
The money he would also take if he had only time,
But Providence who rules above will yet reveal this crime,

This trial lasted seven days in Green-Street Court we hear
His Parish Priest & others for him they did appear
Sidney & Curran his Counsellors the law they did expound,
The Judge & Jury did agree not guilty he was not found,

Alas no bloody deed was done in the most cruel times,
Two fine young women murdered for neither stain or crimes,
We hope all friends & neighbours will devoutly for them pray,
Vengeance is mine saith the Lord upon the judgment day,

God help their dear relations thly now are pained in grief,
By this most-cruel murder for them there's no relief,
As those two sisters were beloved by all the neighbours round,
We hope to hear before it's long of the murderer been found